

Senate District H Senator

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AGE: 54

PLACE OF BIRTH: Anchorage, Alaska

SPOUSE'S NAME: Andrew

CHILDREN'S NAMES: Andrew John, Roman

OCCUPATION: State Senator

LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA: 54 years

EDUCATION:

Romig Middle School
West High School
Harvard University – B.A.
University of Alaska Southeast – M.A.

POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:

Alaska Senate; Alaska Representative; House Finance Committee; Governor's Office deputy director of communications; legislative aide to Rep. Norm Rokeberg; chair, Governor's Council on Physical Fitness & Sports.

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:

Classroom teacher, Service High and Juneau-Douglas High

School; Coach, NineStar High School Completion Program; Public relations executive, Bradley/Reid

SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS MEMBERSHIPS:

Alaska Outdoor Council; National Rifle Association; Alaska Airmen's Association; National Federation of Independent Businesses, Girl Scouts of America Lifetime Member.

SPECIAL INTERESTS:

Family, youth literacy, flying, swimming, camping

OTHER:

Alaska High School Athletics Hall of Fame; Co-Nect Schools Excellence in Education finalist; NCAA Division I All-American; Member, U.S. National Swimming Team; Alaska's first Olympic Trials Qualifier in swimming. 2013 Associated Builders and Contractors Legislator of the Year, 2014 NFIB Guardian of Small Business.

STATEMENT:

I'm a lifelong Alaskan, born in Anchorage, raised in Turnagain, and graduated from West High. For the past eight years I have been honored to serve you in the State Senate.

My priorities have been:

- **Making our neighborhoods safe again**
- **Developing Alaska's economy**
- Making Alaska the most attractive place to **live, work, and raise a family.**

Public Safety

If our neighborhoods aren't safe, nothing else matters. That's why **I led the effort to toughen sentences, ended pretrial "catch and release", and restored judges' discretion** to keep dangerous criminals in jail.

Economic Development

COVID hit Alaska hard, and we're still recovering. We need new jobs, not new taxes. **I fought to keep Alaskans safe – and Alaska open. Now I'm working to help businesses grow and ensure good jobs exist.**

My legislation:

- **put Alaska in the top five states for innovation;**
- **brought Uber and Lyft to Alaska,** creating hundreds of new jobs;
- **enabled equity crowdfunding in Alaska,** giving our small businesses new sources of funding.

Fiscal Conservative

Our state spending is unsustainable. I believe in a **strong private sector** and in **smaller, smarter government. I have consistently voted to follow the law and preserve our PFD for the long term.**

Our West Anchorage Community

I treasure my West Anchorage roots, and **I'll never forget that I am your voice in Juneau – and I'll always listen to you.**

I'd love to hear from you. Please call me on my cell at 227-5276. I would be honored to have your vote on November 8th!

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